

REMARKS

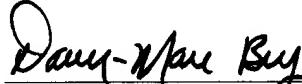
The undersigned representative wishes to thank the Examiner for identifying allowable subject matter in claims 16-20 and 22-51. In response to the *Quayle* action, the undersigned representative hereby cancels claims 22, 23 and 26 above and presents claims 52-55 in order to restore cancelled and allowed claims 21-23 and 26. This action is acceptable in view of MPEP § 608.01(s) which states "[a] claim canceled by amendment (deleted in its entirety) may be reinstated only by a subsequent amendment presenting the claim as a new claim with a new claim number. 37 CFR 1.121(c)(2). See MPEP § 714.24." Additionally, the undersigned representative hereby cancels non-elected claims 1-15 and reserves the right to prosecute said claims in a divisional application. Consequently, the remaining claims, whose subject matter has been indicated by the Examiner as being allowable include 16-20, 24, 25 and 27-55.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully urged that the claims as presented are allowable. A notice to this effect is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner have any comments, questions or suggestions of a nature necessary to expedite prosecution of the application or to place the case in condition for allowance, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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